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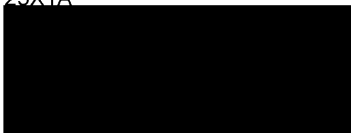
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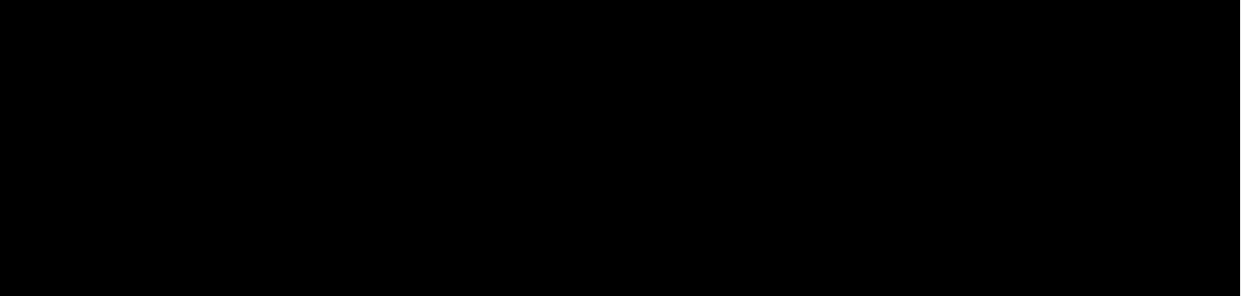


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1. Chief meteorologist of the SCC in Karlshorst (N 53/Z 94) was Major Aleksandrov, (fnu), the only Soviet meteorologist in the Soviet Zone of Germany to wear an uniform. Meteorologists Dr. Kuprianow, (fnu), and Gladun, (fnu), a Soviet citizen who was stationed in Schoenefeld (N 53/Z 93), worked under Aleksandrov.
2. The Soviet meteorologists follow international meteorological procedure but their knowledge is restricted to their special fields. This is contrary to German meteorologists who have all-round training. Some experts are attached to the Central Meteorological Station in Moscow which has to deliver all the required aerological data. The Soviet meteorologists in Schoenefeld were not in a position to furnish the necessary weather data for a Soviet pilot who had made a forced landing in Denmark. For this reason they had to approach the weather station in Potsdam.
3. German weather stations have recently been less frequently visited by Soviets, perhaps because these stations were placed under the control of the Ministry of the Interior on 1 August 1950.

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